CLAIMS

 An unnatural chiral furan amino acids carrying natural amino acid side-chains at C6-position and having a general structure 1 as shown in Formula 1

$$\begin{array}{c|c} RHN & & \\ \hline & 6 & \\ R^2 & O \end{array}$$

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Formula 1

* (Stereochemistry of C6 is either R or S)

Wherein;

R = H, tert-butoxycarbonyl (Boc), benzyloxycarbonyl (Cbz), 9-fluorenylmethyl (Fmoc), acetyl or salts such as HCl, CF₃COOH.H and others;

 R^1 = -OH, -O-alkyl, -O-arylalkyl, -amine, -alkylamine, -arylalkylamine, and others;

 $R^2 = CH_{3-}, (CH_3)_2CH-, (CH_3)_2CHCH_{2-}, CH_3CH_2CH(CH_3)-, alkyl groups;$ (OR³)CH₂₋, CH₃(OR³)CH-, (R³S)CH₂-, CH₃SCH₂CH₂-,

(RHN)CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂-; (CONH₂)CH₂-, (CONH₂)CH₂-, (CO₂R⁴)CH₂-, (CO₂R⁴)CH₂-, ArCH₂-, Phenylalkyl-, arylalkyl-, (indolyl)CH₂-, (imidazolyl)CH₂-, and all other amino acid side-chains; R³ = H, *tert*-butyl, alkyl, benzyl, arylCH₂, CO(alkyl), CO(arylalkyl), SO₃H, PO₃H₂, silyl and others;

20 $R^4 = H$, tert-butyl, alkyl, benzyl, arylCH₂, and others; $R-R^2 = -(CH_2)_n-(n=2,3,4...)$.

2. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = Me$, $R^2 = Me$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 2 shown here below

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3. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = Me$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 3 shown here below

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4. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = OMe$, $R^2 = Me$ and $R = CF_3COOH.H$ having a structural formula 4 shown here below

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5. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = Me$ and $R = CF_3COOH.H$ having a structural formula 5 shown here below

6. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are $R^1 = OMe$, $R^2 = Me$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 6 shown here below $^{\circ}$

7. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = Me$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 7 shown here below

A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are $R^1 = OMe$, $R^2 = Me$ and $R = CF_3COOH.H$

25 having a structural formula 8 shown here below

9. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = Me$ and $R = CF_3COOH.H$ having a structural formula 9 shown here below

10. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = OMe$, $R^2 = CHMe_2$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 10 shown here below

11. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = CHMe_2$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 11 shown here below

12. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = OMe$, $R^2 = CHMe_2$ and $R = CF_3COOH.H$ having a structural formula 12 shown here below

13. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = CHMe_2$ and $R = CF_3COOH.H$ having a structural formula 13 shown here below

14. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are $R^1 = OMe$, $R^2 = CHMe_2$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 14 shown here below

15. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = CHMe_2$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 15 shown here below

16. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are R^1 = OMe, R^2 = CHMe₂ and R = CF₃COOH.H having a structural formula 16 shown here below

17. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are R¹ = OH, R² = CHMe₂ and R = CF₃COOH.H having a structural formula 17 shown here below

18. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = OMe$, $R^2 = CH_2Ph$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 18 shown here below

19. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = CH_2Ph$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 19 shown here below

20. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = OMe$, $R^2 = CH_2Ph$ and $R = CF_3COOH.H$ having a structural formula 20 shown here below

A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is S and the substitutions are $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = CH_2Ph$ and $R = CF_3COOH.H$ having a structural formula 21 shown here below

22. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are $R^1 = OMe$, $R^2 = CH_2Ph$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 22 shown here below

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23. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = CH_2Ph$ and R = Boc having a structural formula 23 shown here below

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24. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are R^1 = OMe, R^2 = CH₂Ph and R = CF₃COOH.H having a structural formula 24 shown here below

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25. A chiral furan amino acid as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the stereochemistry of C6 is R and the substitutions are $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = CH_2Ph$ and $R = CF_3COOH$. He having a structural formula 25 shown here below

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26. A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein if structure 1 with substitution R = Boc, $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = Me$ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: $R_f = 0.45$ (silica, 1:9 MeOH/CHCl₃ with 1% AcOH); $[\alpha]_D^{23} = -52.8$ (c 1.14, MeOH); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.17 (br d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1 H, aromatic), 6.29 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1 H, aromatic), 5.04 (br m, 1 H, NH), 4.93 (br

m, 1 H, CHNH), 1.48 (d, J = 6.59 Hz, 3 H, CH3), 1.42 (s, 9 H, t-butyl) and yield up to 98%.

- 27. A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein if structure 1 with substitution R = Boc, $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = CHMe_2$ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: $R_f = 0.5$ (silica, 1:9 MeOH/CHCl₃ with 1% AcOH); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.18 (br 1 H, one of the furan ring protons), 6.39 (br, 1 H, one of the furan ring protons), 5.09 (br, 1 H, NH), 4.61 (br, 1 H, CHNH), 2.2 (m, 1 H, CH(CH₃)₂), 1.42 (s, 9 H, t-butyl), 0.95 (d, J = 6.69 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 0.89 (d, J = 6.69 Hz, 3 H, CH₃) and yield up to 88%.
- 28. A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein if structure 1 with substitution R = Boc, R¹ = OH, R² = CH₂Ph and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: R_f = 0.5 (silica, 10 MeOH/CHCl₃ with 1% AcOH); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.18 (m, 5 H, aromatic protons), 7.05 (br, 1 H, one of the furan ring protons), 6.12 (br, 1 H, one of the furan ring protons), 5.03 (m, 2 H, NH & CHNH), 3.16 (m, 2 H, CH₂Ph), 1.39 (s, 9 H, t-butyl) and yield up to 92%.

29. A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein if structure 1 with substitution R =

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Boc, $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = Ph$ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: $R_f = 0.5$ (silica, 10% MeOH/CHCl₃ with 1% AcOH); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 (m, 5 H, aromatic protons), 7.15 (br, 1 H, one of the

furan ring protons), 6.21 (br, 1 H, one of the furan ring protons), 5.85 (br, 1 H,

CHNH), 5.43 (br, 1 H, NH), 1.44 (s, 9 H, t-butyl) and yield up to 90%.

30. A chiral furan amino acids as claimed in claims 5, 9, 13, 17, 21 or 25, wherein

N-Fmoc-protected furan amino acid is obtained by treatment with FmocOSu in dioxane-water in the ration of 1:1.

31. A process for preparing unnatural chiral furan amino acids carrying natural amino acid side-chains in C6-position and having a general structure as shown in structure 1

$$\begin{array}{c|c} RHN & & \\ \hline & 6 & \\ R^2 & O \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R \\ 1 \end{array}$$

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* (Stereochemistry of C6 is either R or S)

Wherein; R = H, Boc, Cbz, Fmoc, acetyl or salts such as HCl.H, CF₃COOH.H and others;

 R^1 = -OH, -O-alkyl, -O-arylalkyl, -amine, -alkylamine, -arylalkylamine, and others;

 $R^2 = CH_3$ -, $(CH_3)_2CH$ -, $(CH_3)_2CHCH_2$ -, $CH_3CH_2CH(CH_3)$ -, alkyl groups; $(OR^3)CH_2$ -, $CH_3(OR^3)CH$ -, $(R^3S)CH_2$ -, $CH_3SCH_2CH_2$ -,

(RHN)CH₂CH₂CH₂-; (CONH₂)CH₂-, (CONH₂)CH₂-, (CO₂R⁴)CH₂-,

(CO₂R⁴)CH₂CH₂-, Ph-, Ar-; PhCH₂-, ArCH₂-, Phenylalkyl-, arylalkyl-,

(indolyl)CH₂-, (imidazolyl)CH₂-, and all other amino acid side-chains; R³ = H, tert-butyl, alkyl, benzyl, arylCH₂, CO(alkyl), CO(arylalkyl), SO₃H, PO₃H₂, silyl and others;

R⁴ = H, tert-butyl, alkyl, benzyl, arylCH₂, and others;

$$R-R^2 = -(CH_2)_{n}-(n=2, 3, 4...);$$

said process comprising the steps of:

a) addition of Li-acetylide, prepared in-situ by reacting 3,4-O-isopropylidene-1,1-dibromobut-1-en-3,4-diol 3 with n-BuLi, to the chiral N-protected amino aldehyde 2 to obtain the propargyl alcohol adduct 4 as a mixture of isomers having the structure

propargyl alcohol

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b) selective hydrogenation of the acetylenic moiety to a *cis* double bond using P2-Ni to get the *cis*-allylic alcohol intermediate 5 having the structure

$$\begin{array}{c} OH \\ OH \\ RHN \\ R^2 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ (Z) \end{array}$$

5 cis-allylic alcohol intermediate

- treating 5 with acid to deprotect the acetonide and to furnish an intermediate triol
- d) selective acylation of the primary hydroxyl group of the triol from of step (c) to obtain the "cis-2-butene-1,4-diol" intermediate 6 having the structure

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6 "cis-2-butene-1,4-diol" intermediate

- e) oxidation of the "cis-2-butene-1,4-diol" intermediate 6 using pyridinium chlorochromate (PCC) to construct the furan ring
- f) deprotection of the intermediate acetate from step (e) in presence of anhydrous K₂CO₃ to obtain the chiral furanyl alcohol intermediate 7 having the structure

7 chiral furanyl alcohol intermediate

- g) oxidation of the primary hydroxyl of the chiral furanyl alcohol intermediate 7 using Swern oxidation process or SO₃-py complex to obtain an aldehyde
- h) oxidation of the aldehyde intermediate from step (g) using $NaClO_2-H_2O_2$ to obtain the desired acid 1 ($R^1 = OH$) having the structure

Chiral furan amino acid

- i) transformation of the acid from step (h) into (a) an ester (i) on treatment with CH₂N₂ in ether (1: R¹ = OMe), or (ii) an alcohol in the presence of acid (1: R¹ = O-alkyl etc.); (b) an amide on treatment with an amine in presence of DCC and HOBt (1: R¹ = -amine, -alkylamine, -arylalkylamine).
- 32. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (a), if the structure 4 with substitution R = Boc, R² = Me and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: R_f = 0.5 (silica, 2:3 ethyl acetate/hexane); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.73-4.68 (ddd, J = 6.04, 3.78, 1.51 Hz, 1 H, CHOH), 4.65- 4.62 (d, J = 8.31 Hz, 1 H, NH), 4.36-4.32 (ddd, J = 6.79, 5.29, 1.51 Hz, 1 H, CHCH₂), 4.15-4.09 (dd, J = 6.79, 6.04 Hz, 1 H, one of the CH₂ protons), 3.91-3.86 (dd, J = 6.04, 5.29 Hz, 1 H, one of the CH₂ protons), 3.83- 3.76 (m, 1 H, CHNH), 2.89 (bs, 1 H, OH), 1.45 (s, 3 H, acetonide methyl protons), 1.442 (s, 9 H, t-butyl protons), 1.354 (s, 3 H, acetonide methyl protons), 1.247-1.225 (d, J = 6.79 Hz, 3 H, CH₃) and yield up to 60 %.

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33. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (a), if the structure 4 with substitution R = Boc, R^2 = CHMe₂ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: R_f = 0.5 (silica, 40% EtOAc / Hexane); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.7 (m, 1 H, CHOH), 4.59 (d, J = 9.07 Hz, 1 H, NH), 4.12 (m, 1 H, CHCH₂), 3.88 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 3.54 (m, 1 H, CHNH), 1.78 (m, 1 H, CH(CH₃)₂), 1.46 (s, 9 H, t-butyl), 1.45 (s, 6 H, acetonide protons), 0.99 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6 H, CH₃) and yield up to 63%.

34. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (a), if the structure 4 with substitution R = Boc, $R^2 = CH_2Ph$ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: $R_f = 0.45$ (silica, 40% EtOAc/Hexane); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23 (m, 5 H, aromatic protons), 4.82-4.65 (m, 2 H, CHOH & NH),

4.37 (br, 1 H, CHNH), 4.19-4.06 (m, 2 H, CH & one of the CH_2), 3.9 (m, 1 H, one of the CH_2), 2.91 (m, 2 H, CH_2 Ph), 1.39-1.38 (m, 15 H, t-butyl & acetonide methyls) and yield up to 65%.

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- 35. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (a), if the structure 4 with substitution R = Boc, R^2 = Ph and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: R_f = 0.45 (silica, 40% EtOAc/Hexane); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 (m, 5 H, aromatic protons), 5.27-5.18 (m, 2 H, CHOH & NH), 5 (m, 1 H, CHNH), 4.94 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.03 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.44 (s, 9 H, t-butyl), 1.41 (s, 6 H, acetonide methyls) and yield up to 62%.
- 36. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (b), if the structure 5 with substitution R = Boc, $R^2 = Me$ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: $R_f = 0.45$ (silica, 2:3 ethyl acetate/hexane); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.62-5.55 (m, 2 H, olefinic protons), 4.92-4.68 (m, 2 H, CHOH), 4.36-4.27 (bs, 1 H, NH), 4.15-4.05 (m, 2 H, CH₂OH), 3.71-3.61 (m, 1 H, CH), 3.06 (bs, 1 H, OH), 1.44 (s, 9 H, t-butyl protons), 1.40 (s, 3 H, acetonide methyl protons), 1.36 (s, 3 H, acetonide methyl protons), 1.18-1.15 (d, J = 6.69 Hz, 3 H, methyl protons) and yield up to 70%.
- 37. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (b), if the structure 5 with substitution R = Boc, R^2 = CHMe₂ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: R_f = 0.45 (silica, 30% EtOAc /Hexane); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.65 (m, 1 H, olefinic proton), 5.54 (m, 1 H, olefinic proton), 4.71 (bs, 1 H, NH), 4.5 (m, 1 H, CHOH), 4.09 (m, 1 H, CH), 3.55 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 3.24 (m, 1 H, CHNH), 1.94 (m, 1 H, CH(CH₃)₂), 1.44 (s, 9 H, t-butyl), 1.43 (s, 6 H, acetonide methyls), 1.0 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 0.93 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H, CH₃) and yield up to 60%.
 - 38. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (b) if the structure 5 with substitution R = Boc, $R^2 = CH_2Ph$ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following

characteristics: $R_f = 0.45$ (silica, 40% EtOAc/Hexane); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 (m, 5 H, aromatic protons), 5.82-5.55 (m, 2 H, olefinic protins), 4.78 (m, 1 H, N*H*), 4.62-4.34 (m, 2 H, C*H*OH & C*H*), 4.06 (m, 1 H, C*H*NH), 3.51 (m, 2 H, C*H*₂), 2.85 (m, 2 H, C*H*₂Ph), 1.39-1.32 (m, 15 H, *t*-butyl & acetonide methyls) and yield up to 65%.

39. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (b), if the structure 5 with substitution R = Boc, R^2 = Ph and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: R_f = 0.45 (silica, 40% EtOAc/hexane); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25 (m, 5 H, aromatic protons), 5.87-5.55 (m, 2 H, olefinic protons), 5.25 (m, 2 H, CHOH, NH), 4.99 (m, 1 H, CHNH), 4.58 (m, 1 H, CH), 3.90 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.44 (s, 9 H, t-butyl), 1.41 (s, 6 H, acetonide methyls) and yield up to 70%.

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- 15 40. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (d), if the structure 6 with substitution R = Boc, $R^2 = Me$ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: $R_f = 0.6$ (silica, 1:9 methanol/chloroform); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.66-5.46 (two dd, J = 11.89, 6.69 Hz, 2 H, olefinic protons), 4.90-4.85 (d, J = 8.92 Hz, 1 H, NH), 4.66-4.59 (dt, J = 6.69, 4.46 Hz, 1 H, CHOH), 4.41-4.36 (ddd, J = 6.69, 5.02, 4.46 Hz, 1 H, CHOH), 4.16-3.98 (two dd, J = 11.15, 6.69 and 11.15, 4.46 Hz, 2 H, CH₂OAc), 2.09 (s, 3 H, CH₃CO), 1.44 (s, 9 H, t-butyl), 1.20-1.17 (d, J = 6.69 Hz, 3 H, CH₃) and yield up to 93%.
- 41. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (d), if the structure 6 with substitution R = Boc, R^2 = CHMe₂ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: $R_f = 0.45$ (silica, 10% MeOH/CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.66 (dd, J = 11.33, 7.93 Hz, 1 H, olefinic proton), 5.54 (dd, J = 11.33, 8.31 Hz, 1 H, olefinic proton), 4.72-4.67 (m, 1 H, CHOH), 4.4 (dd, J = 7.93, 6.8 Hz, 1 H, CH), 4.18 (dd, J = 11.33, 3.4 Hz, 1 H one of the CH₂), 3.93 (dd, J = 11.33, 7.55 Hz, 1 H, one of the CH₂), 2.1 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 2 (m, 1 H, CH(CH₃)₂), 1.42 (s, 9 H, t-butyl), 0.97 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 0.92 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H, CH₃) and yield up to 80%.

42. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (d), if the structure 6 with substitution R = Boc, R^2 = CH₂Ph and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: R_f = 0.45 (silica, 10% MeOH/CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 (m, 5 H, aromatic protons), 5.68-5.45 (m, 2 H, olefinic protons), 4.65 (m, 2 H, CHOH & NH), 4.45 (m, 1 H, CHOH), 4.05 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 3.8 (m, 1 H, CHNH), 2.85 (m, 2 H, CH₂Ph), 2.04 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 1.25 (m, 15 H, t-butyl) and yield up to 90%.

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- 43. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (d), if the structure 6 with substitution R = Boc, $R^2 = Ph$ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: $R_f = 0.45$ (silica, 10% MeOH/CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 (m, 5 H, aromatic protons), 5.87-5.55 (m, 2 H, olefinic protons), 5.25 (m, 2 H, CHOH & NH), 4.85 (m, 1 H, CHNH), 4.61 (m, 1 H, CHOH), 4.21 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 2.1 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 1.44 (s, 9 H, t-butyl) and yield up to 85%.
- 44. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (f), if the structure 7 with substitution R = Boc, R² = Me and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: $R_f = 0.45$ (silica, 1:1 ethyl acetate/hexane); $[\alpha]_D^{23} = -59.9$ (c 1.76, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.17-6.14 (d, J = 2.97 Hz, 1 H, one of the ring protons), 6.08-6.04 (d, J = 2.97 Hz, 1 H, one of the ring protons), 4.86-4.71 (bs, 2 H, NH and CH), 4.52 (s, 2 H, CH₂OH), 2.14-1.93 (bs, 1 H, OH) 1.48-1.43 (s,12 H, t-butyl group and methyl protons) and yield up to 98%.
- 45. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (f), if the structure 7 with substitution R = Boc, R² = CHMe₂ and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: $R_f = 0.5$ (silica, 30% EtOAc/Hexane); $[\alpha]_D^{23} = -59.9$ (c 1.76, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.16 (d, J = 2.93 Hz, 1 H, one of the furan ring protons), 6.06 (d, J = 2.93 Hz, 1 H, one of the furan ring protons), 4.84 (d, J = 8.79 Hz, 1 H, NH), 4.53 (s, 2 H, CH₂OH), 4.52 (m, 1 H, CHNH) 2.09 (m, 1 H, CH(CH₃)₂), 1.44 (s, 9 H, t-butyl), 0.94 (d, J = 6.59 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 0.88 (d, J = 6.59 Hz, 3 H, CH₃) and yield up to 95%.

- A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (f), if the structure 7 with substitution R = Boc, R² = CH₂Ph and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: R_f = 0.5 (silica, 40% EtOAc/hexane); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.2 (m, 3 H, aromatic protons), 7.02 (m, 2 H, aromatic protons), 6.12 (d, J = 2.97 Hz, 1 H, one of the furan ring protons), 5.93 (d, J = 2.97 Hz, 1 H, one of the furan ring protons), 4.94 (m, 1 H, CHNH), 4.81 (d, J = 8.92 Hz, 1 H, NH), 4.53 (s, 2 H, CH₂OH), 3.09 (d, J = 6.69 Hz, 2 H, CH₂Ph), 1.39 (s, 9 H, t-butyl) and yield up to 96%.
- 47. A process as claimed in claim 31 wherein in step (f), if the structure 7 with substitution R = Boc, R² = Ph and 6S stereochemistry, has the following characteristics: R_f = 0.45 (silica, 40% EtOAc/Hexane); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 (m, 5 H, aromatic protons), 6.16 (d, J = 3.05 Hz, 1 H, one of the furan ring protons), 6.02 (d, J = 3.05 Hz, 1 H, one of the furan ring protons),
 5.87 (br, 1 H, NH), 5.25 (d, J = 8.52 Hz, 1 H, CHNH), 4.51 (s, 2 H, CH₂OH), 1.44 (s, 9 H, t-butyl) and yield up to 95%.